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SUBJ: EGYPTIAN SURVEILLANCE STATION (E-1)

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- 1. GENERAL RAIS ABIN, FORCE COMMANDER UNEF VISITED SFM TODAY TO REVIEW TWO POTENTIAL PROBLEMS RELATING TO E-1.
- 2. THE VSF HAS INDICATED THAT IT WOULD ACCEPT UP TO A HUNDRED PERSONNEL AT E-1 DURING THE PRESENT CONSTRUCTION THERE. BUT THIS IS CONDITIONED UPON APPROVAL BY THE JOINT COMMISSION (REFTEL). GENERAL RAIS ABIN BELIEVES EGYPT IS UNLIKELY TO AGREE TO A MEETING ON THIS POINT AND MY OWN CONVERSATIONS WITH GENERAL KATEB (SARELO) AND COMMANDING OFFICER AT E-1 TEND SUPPORT THIS EGYPTIAN VIEW.
- 3. A SECOND PROBLEM IS THE ACCESS ROAD TO ONE OF THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CURRENT CONSTRUCTION SITES (HILL 710). BECAUSE OF LOCAL TERRAINAL THIS PASSES OUTSIDE THE E-1 PERIMETER AND IS IN THE BUFFER ZONE. ISRAEL HAS INDICATED NO OBJECTION TO EGYPTIAN USE OF THIS ROAD WITHOUT UN ESCORT PROVIDED THE ROAD IS UNDER SFM OR UN OBSERVATION. SFM COULD PROVIDE SUCH OBSERVATION BUT THIS APPEARS A UN RESPONSIBILITY. GENERAL RAIS ABIN ACCEPTS IT AS SUCH. HE INDICATEBE THAT UNEF WOULD PROVIDE ROAD OBSERVATION BY MOVING A GHANAIN

UNIT TO THE NORTH PERIMETER TO E-1.

4. THESE TWO ISSUES REMAIN POTENTIAL PROBLEMS. THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF E-1 HAS INFORMED ME THAT THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE WILL LAST A YEAR OR LONGER. HE WANTS AUTHORIZATION TO USE UP TO A HUNDRED MORE PERSONNEL FOR THAT PERIOD. HE ALSO NOTES THAT AS THE SITE ON HILL 710 BECOMES OPERATIONAL, HE WILL WISH TO USE THE ACCESS ROAD AT NIGHT. RAIS ABIN IS TAKING THESE TWO POINTS UNDER CONSIDERATION.

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